Milton Traffic Calming Advisory AD HOC Committee Special Meeting Minutes, Cannery Village Clubhouse

Wednesday, May 12, 2021, 5:30 pm DRAFT

Attendees: Randi Meredith, Councilwoman (Chairperson)

Susan Fewell, Mary Quigley, Lisa Falzarano, Hunter Willis, George Cardwell, Bonnie Bloomquist (scribe)

<u>Liaison Non-voting members:</u> Greg Wingo, Public Works Supervisor

Absent: Derrick Harvey, Chief of Police

ORDER OF BUSINESS

- 1. CALL TO ORDER
- 2. ROLL CALL
- 3. ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA, None
- 4. AGENDA APPROVAL, Passed
- 5. OLD BUSINESS- DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE VOTE ON THE FOLLOWING:
 - a. Survey

Discussion:

- Feedback was provided on survey format and narrative descriptions.
- Committee members provided their top three (3) related-concerns.
- b. Walk Audits / Multi-modal Audits

Discussion:

- AARP developed a "tool kit" with a data collection methodology to assess a community's livability.
- Ratings will be based on the established criteria for: Crossing Streets and Intersections, Sidewalks, Driver Behavior, Safety, Comfort and Appeal.
- Among the reasons AARP identified to conduct a walk audit are that it can:
 - o help create a pedestrian-friendly environment
 - o increase exercise opportunities for your communities
 - boost social interaction among neighbors
 - o enable people to get around without having to drive
 - help reduce traffic congestion and pollution
 - lead to increased property values
 from <u>AARP Livability Fact Sheets https://www.aarp.org/content/dam/aarp/livable-communities/livable-documents/documents-2014/Livability%20Fact%20Sheets/AARP-Livability-Fact-Sheets-080615l.pdf</u>

- Eight area zones were identified, based on the survey results of identified areas of concern, as follows:
 - Zone 1: Mulberry Street from Rt. 16 to Lavinia Street
 - Zone 2: Union Street from Rt. 16 to Broad Street
 - Zone 3: Lavinia Street from Mulberry Street to Wagamon's West Shores
 - Zone 4: Federal Street from Sand Hill Road to Mulberry Street
 - Zone 5: Chestnut Street from Harbeson Road to Wharton/Atlantic
 - Zone 6: Union Street from Broad Street to intersection of Chestnut and Front streets
 - Zone 7: Mulberry Street from Lavinia Street to Federal, and Federal Street from Mulberry Street to Coulter Street
 - Zone 8: Bay Avenue and Atlantic Avenue from Union Street to Country Road
- A Committee member was assigned as a leader for each zone; time will be identified based on volunteer availability.
- It was agreed that at least five (5) volunteers (combination of ages and abilities including residents, guests and town visitors) should be identified to walk each zone as a group to assess the functionality of the zones for all users, not just vehicles.
- The Walk Audits results will be included in the Final Report to Town Council.
- A Grant from AARP may be applied for based on the results of the Walk Audit data.

ACTION ITEMS:

- Committee members to identify and prep volunteers prior to the Walk Audit.
- An announcement of the Walk Audit and will be distributed and posted on Milton Town Website for those interested in participating.
- 6. NEW BUSINESS-DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE VOTE ON THE FOLLOWING:
- a. Requests for agenda items to be included for the next meeting
 - PENDING outcome of Walk Audit
- 7. Next meeting:

Discussion:

- It was decided that the meeting tentatively scheduled for May 19, 2021 will be cancelled.
- Next meeting: Wednesday, Jun 16, 2021 @5:30
 Cannery Village Clubhouse, if available
- 8. ADJOURNMENT